

REMARKS

This is a response to a final Office Action mailed April 14, 2008. Claim 16 has been amended. Claims 12 and 21-25 have been canceled. No claims have been added. No new matter has been added to the application. Claims 7 and 13-20 remain pending. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 7, 13-15 and 17-20.

In addition, Claim 16 has been amended to depend from allowable independent Claim 13. The pending claims are now in an allowable condition.

REJECTION OF CLAIMS 12, 16 AND 21-25 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

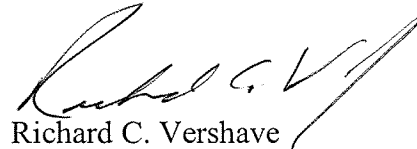
The Examiner rejected claims 12, 16 and 21-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,540,310 to Cartwright in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,609,771 to Morin *et al.* Of the rejected claims, Claims 12 and 21-15 have been canceled and Claim 16 has been amended to depend from allowable Claim 13. Accordingly, the Section 103 rejections with respect to these claims are moot. Applicants respectfully request that the Section 103 rejections be withdrawn and submit that the remaining claims are in an allowable condition.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application. If there are any remaining matters that may be handled by telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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